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they have aided and supported me in every way possible, and to the following officers, who served with me, thanks are due for their valuable assistance: Passed Assistant Surgeon B. W. Brown (temporarily on duty), Assistant Surgeon Hill Hastings, acting assistant surgeons W. D. Farrow and Ira W. Porter, and hospital stewards F. R. Hanrath and F. H. Peck.

Respectfully, yours, G. M. MAGRUDER,
Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Progress of smallpox near Fair Oaks, Ark.

MEMPHIS, TENN., *March 11, 1898.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that in accordance with your telegraphic orders of the 2d instant, I went to Fair Oaks, Ark., yesterday, to inspect the progress of the smallpox cases at Dayton Spur—1 mile from that locality.

I found everything progressing well, the patients well on the road to recovery, and have the honor to state that in about two weeks time the house and premises will be ready for disinfection, and the people can be allowed to move into another house in the vicinity.

The physician in charge of the cases has kept a good watch on them and will continue to do so.

Respectfully, yours, W. J. S. STEWART,
Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Notice of opening of quarantine season in Florida.

MARITIME QUARANTINE.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., *February 28, 1898.*

To port sanitary inspectors, agents of the State board of health of Florida, and all others interested:

Notification is here given that, complying with instructions from the Secretary of the United States Treasury, the summer quarantine season will commence on April 1, 1898, instead of May 1, as heretofore, and the State board of health, when in annual session on the 16th instant, amended the maritime quarantine regulations of Florida accordingly.

JOSEPH Y. PORTER,
State Health Officer, Florida.

Smallpox at Norfolk, Va.

NORFOLK, VA., *March 10, 1898.*

SIR: I am directed by the board of health to inform you that there are 2 cases of smallpox now in the Norfolk pesthouse. The first case was turned over to the board of health by the marine-hospital surgeon at this port on March 9. The other case was discovered on the streets of the city. Both cases are in negroes who resided in the negro quarter of the city. So far as the board of health can learn, both of these cases originated in the city, and had no connection with each other.

Very respectfully, J. JETT MCCORMICK,
Secretary Board of Health.